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FOLLOWING REPEAT BERLIN 30 SENT ACTION SECSTATE
NOVEMBER 4TH:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L BERLIN 30

DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR COOPER

EO11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, GE, US
SUBJECT: OPENING OF EMBASSY

REF: STATE 240410

1. IN COMPLIANCE WITH REFTEL, I ASKED FOR AN APPOINTMENT ON NOVEMBER 4 WITH KIENER OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S PROTOCOL SECTION (BERLIN 7). BEFORE KIENER COULD REPLY, I RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM DR. GEYER, HEAD OF THE AMERICAN SECTION, TO MEET WITH HIM AT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. DR. GEYER ASKED HOW WE WERE FARING WITH REGARD TO OFFICE SPACE AND HOUSING. I REPLIED THAT WE HAD TAKEN OVER SATISFACTORY OFFICE SPACE ON NOVEMBER 1, AND THAT WITH REGARD TO HOUSING OUR MAIN TASK AT THE MOMENT WAS TO COMPLETE WORK
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ON THE HEINRICH-MANN-STRASSE PROPERTY BY NOVEMBER 30.

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IT WAS CLEAR THAT DR. GEYER WAS AWARE OF THESE
DEVELOPMENTS.

3. DR. GEYER SAID THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD RECEIVED
A TELEGRAM FROM WASHINGTON STATING THAT WE WISHED TO
POSTPONE THE OPENING OF OUR EMBASSY. DEPUTY FOREIGN
MINISTER GRUNERT HAD ASKED HIM TO RAISE THIS SUBJECT
WITH ME. IT HAD BEEN THE GDR'S UNDERSTANDING THAT WE
WOULD BE OPENING OUR EMBASSY SOMETIME IN NOVEMBER, AND
DR. GEYER WISHED TO KNOW WHETHER THERE WERE PROBLEMS THAT
THE GDR DID NOT KNOW ABOUT.

4. I REPLIED THAT THERE WERE NONE. WE HAD BEEN GETTING
GOOD COOPERATION FROM GDR DIPLOMATIC SERVICES OFFICE
(DLA) PEOPLE FROM LOEFFLER ON DOWN. HOWEVER, WE NOW BELIEVED
IT DESIRABLE AND PROPER TO OPEN OUR EMBASSY
AT THE TIME OUR AMBASSADOR IS ACCREDITED. WE EXPECTED
AMBASSADOR COOPER TO ARRIVE ON DECEMBER 3, AND HOPED THAT
HE COULD PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS AS SOON THEREAFTER AS
POSSIBLE, PERHAPS IN A MATTER OF DAYS. DR. GEYER SAID THIS
WOULD TAKE TWO WEEKS, AND WE SHOULD THUS PLAN FOR THE
PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER
15-20. HE SAID DR. GRUNERT WOULD PREFER THAT WE
OPEN OUR EMBASSY EARLIER AS PLANNED, AND I REPLIED THAT
WE HAD CONCLUDED IT BEST TO HAVE AMBASSADOR COOPER OPEN
THE EMBASSY.

5. DR. GEYER THEN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO LEAVE AN
"INFORMAL" REQUEST WITH ME. GDR AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE
SIEBER IS "SITTING ON HIS TRUNKS." HE PLANS TO LEAVE
FOR WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 21, ARRIVING THE FOLLOWING DAY.
THE GDR, RECOGNIZING THAT WE HAVE AGREED TO PROCEED WITH THE
OPENING OF EMBASSIES ON THE BASIS OF RECIPROCITY, WOULD
NEVERTHELESS LIKE TO HAVE CHARGE-DESIGNATE ELM OPEN
THEIR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON ON NOVEMBER 11 TO ASSIST THEIR
AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE. WOULD WE AGREE? I REPLIED THAT I
WOULD PASS THIS REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND REPORT ITS
RESPONSE TO HIM PROMPTLY.

6. COMMENT. I FORESEE NO FURTHER OBJECTION FROM THE GDR
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TO OUR PROCEEDING WITH THE OPENING OF OUR EMBASSY IN THE
MANNER ENVISIONED IN REFTEL. ONLY THE DEPARTMENT CAN JUDGE
THE MATTER OF RECIPROCITY, BUT IF WE COULD BEND A LITTLE
AND ACCEDE TO DR. GEYER'S REQUEST THIS WOULD BE A GOOD
AND PERHAPS EVEN USEFUL GUESTURE.GROVE

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